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## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

No. 22-1365
(7:20-cv-00604-EKD-RSB)
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JAMES MATTHEW MORRIS

Plaintiff - Appellant

v.

TAYLOR COMMUNICATIONS SECURE & CUSTOMER SOLUTIONS, INC.; VENTURE SOLUTIONS, INC; TAYLOR CORPORATION

Defendants - Appellees
ORDER

Costs for these proceedings are taxed and certified in the amount of \$7.95, as itemized in the accompanying bill of costs. The costs taxed shall be added to this court's mandate in accordance with Fed. R. App. P. 39(d).

For the Court--By Direction

/s/ Patricia S. Connor, Clerk

## U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT BILL OF COSTS FORM (Civil Cases)

**Directions:** Under FRAP 39(a), the costs of appeal in a civil action are generally taxed against appellant if a judgment is affirmed or the appeal is dismissed. Costs are generally taxed against appellee if a judgment is reversed. If a judgment is affirmed in part, reversed in part, modified, or vacated, costs are taxed as the court orders. A party who wants costs taxed must, within 14 days after entry of judgment, file an itemized and verified bill of costs, as follows:

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- Cite the statutory authority for an award of costs if costs are sought for or against the United States. <u>See</u> 28 U.S.C. § 2412 (limiting costs to civil actions); 28 U.S.C. § 1915(f)(1) (prohibiting award of costs against the United States in cases proceeding without prepayment of fees).

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